

# ON THE REVIEWER'S TABLE

J. L. M. CURRY.

A biography, by Edwin Anderson Alderman and Armistead Churchill Gordon. The Macmillan Company, of New York. \$2.00 net.

This book is not a biography in the ordinary acceptance of the term. It is an eloquent and justly deserved tribute to a man, Jabez Lamar Monroe Curry, whose career, from his early days in Alabama to his service in the Confederate Congress and on the staff of the War Between the States, led to his later professorship in Richmond College. In rapid succession followed, as the book describes, his election in 1881 as agent of the Peabody educational fund for the South, his appointment as Minister to Spain in 1883, his return to the United States and his re-election as trustee of the Peabody Board; then his attendance at the coronation ceremonies of Alfonso of Spain on May 17, 1902, his death at Fernhurst, Asheville, on February 12, 1903, and his burial in Hollywood Cemetery, Richmond, Va., February 15, 1903.

Dr. Alderman and Mr. Gordon have dedicated their work "to the memory of Mary Thomas Curry, a true and tender wife, whose unfailing sympathy, devoted care and understanding mind, kept young and stout the heart of this brave optimist and advocate." Of the character and life of the purpose of Dr. Curry, his biographers say: "His life covered a period of time in American history of such vital and violent change, of such spiritual trial and emotional strain, as either to confuse hopelessly or to wreck the career of many strong men. But Curry held to a true and steady course."

"In this difficult period he served his country and society as statesman, soldier, teacher, preacher, orator, diplomat and educator; and by his example illustrated perfectly the precept of the psalmist, 'forgetting those things that are behind and reaching to those things which are before.'"

"He bent all his energies to rehabilitating the waste places of his country, and to building up a new society on the ruins of that which had been overthrown. He became an American in the broadest and most catholic sense of the term, without ever failing to remember that he was a Southerner and an ex-Confederate; and his loyalty to the flag of a reunited country was not tempered or restrained by his equal loyalty to the old creeds and the old landmarks established in the faith of the fathers."

As an educator, he was conspicuously an agitator. Emerging from an antique and discarded educational status, he entered upon the career of a proselyting Peter the Hermit, preaching a veritable crusade with all the fiery vehemence and undaunted courage of the zealot. To Curry's success as an educator, as a diplomat, the distinction of his generation have borne disinterested witness. His oratory, in an age and a country of orators, was unusual and compelling. In the Federal Congress he commanded and kept the attention of the House; before the legislative bodies of States in his educational campaigns, he spoke with the accomplishment of results; as a pulpit speaker and preacher he was sought by dozens of city churches; and upon the hustings he ranked with the strongest political debaters of his day.

The writer of this paragraph saw Curry for the first time in 1883. It was his fortune as a young man in his first speech in public to introduce the famous speaker to an audience in a thriving little Southern town. The speech, a passionate plea for education, made a lasting impression as did the man himself in manner, presence, dress and demeanor.

"But though men may forget the oratory, the diplomacy, the intellectual vigor, the gracious compelling charm of Curry the man, they will not forget the self-surrender of the social reformer and civic patriot. It speaks well for the far-sightedness and wisdom of the State of Alabama for whose land and people he retained a tender loyalty, that that great Commonwealth has placed in one of the niches reserved for it in the national Capitol, a marble statue of this son of hers containing this brief summary of his life and career, 'Educator, orator, diplomat, patriot.'"

"The fame of Curry is secure, for it is the persistent fame of the teacher and the reformer."

The service that Dr. Alderman and Mr. Gordon have rendered the country, and especially the South, in writing Dr. Curry's biography is great. In this busy and strenuous age, when we bring to mind the effort made and the success attained by a man who kept before him so consistently high ideals and patriotic aims, fulfils a great need. Rudyard Kipling's wonderful poem, "East We Forget," was written with profound knowledge of the tendency and weakness of humanity. The Curry biography should be read, not purely from an instructive point of view, not because as a biography, it is above criticism as to its authorship, but because it is a memorial to a son of the South who, in peace, no less than in war, did honor to the land that gave him birth.

**"Initials Only."**  
By Anna Katherine Green. From Dodd, Mead & Company, through the Bell Book and Stationery Company, of Richmond. \$1.50 net.

The name of Anna Katherine Green, from its association with a certain class of novel, the mystery class, has become altogether distinctive. Other people may and do write fiction along the same line as hers, but she remains in a class quite by herself.

The title of her last story is founded on the fact that the same initials belong to two brothers in love with the same woman. The woman, beautiful, accomplished and immensely wealthy, is found mysteriously murdered in the lobby of a fashionable hotel. The most convincing clue to the identity of the murderer is traced in the signature, by initials, to a threatening letter. The fact that the initials belong, alike, to brothers totally different by nature, creates much confusion in the minds of those attempting to solve the mystery.

One of the most important characters in the book is a detective called Sweetwater, whose tireless work in attempting to avenge the death of a young and lovely girl and punish a man who, as a cold-blooded murderer, is a menace to society, brings about many thrilling situations and is largely instrumental in developing the climax. The real murderer is the inventor of a wonderful aeroplane, he is a construction and perfection, he has devoted years of his life. At the last, after he has avowed his guilt and acknowledged that he shot Edith Chatterton, the young woman referred to, with an icicle, sharp enough to penetrate the hearts left yet leaving no trace

behind, he made his last flight as an aviator and committed suicide in mid-air.

Of the book, in its entirety, the only additional word that needs to be said is that it is one of Anna Katherine Green's best efforts.

**"Women of the Bible."**

Written by Eminent Divines and Illustrated, Harper and Brothers, of New York. \$1.00 net.

The twelve eminent divines who have written the chapters of this most interesting volume are Rev. J. W. Chadwick, D. D., Rabbi Gustav Gottheil, Rev. Lyman Abbott, D. D., Rev. Henry van Dyke, D. D., Rev. W. H. P. Faunce, D. D., Prof. Richard Green Moulton, Rev. Bishop John P. Hurst, D. D., Rev. Edward B. Coe, D. D., Right Rev. W. C. Doane, D. D., Rev. N. D. Hillis, D. D., Right Rev. H. C. Potter, D. D., and His Eminence Cardinal Gibbons.

The women whose histories are given are Eve, Sarah, Rebekah, Miriam, Deborah, Ruth, Mary Magdalene, Hannah, Jezebel, Esther, Mary Magdalen, Mary and Martha, the Blessed Virgin, Mary.

The very names of these biblical women, embodying as they do the most notable types of the different classes to which they belong, awaken a thrill of the deepest interest in the mind of the reader. The names of the authors in whose hands the make-up of the book has been placed, answer for the exhaustiveness of research and the comprehensiveness of spirit with which these distinguished authors and students of the Bible have begun and ended their task.

Beautiful and appropriate illustrations serve to heighten the impression produced by the text and render it more deeply impressive. The book is thus most harmonious throughout, its covers being in royal purple and gold.

**"Comrades."**

By Elizabeth Stuart Phelps. Howard E. Smith, Illustrator. Harper and Brothers, of New York.

Perhaps old soldiers, helpless and feeble as they are, veterans of the War Between the States, are not enough considered. Those who have forgotten what the war meant to others as to the South, should read "Comrades." Just the best, when others are gone, the old soldier has left to him of his wife, and the pathos and beauty of their devotion to each other, the tragedy of the poor survivor at the last memorial day, brings a fresh consciousness of what is due to the few veterans of '61-'65 left. Better than all, it reveals what it means in a man's life to have a real comrade in his wife, one who keeps step with him all the way through life to the very end.

**"The Young Idea."**

By Parker H. Fillmore. John Lane Company, of New York. \$1.25 net.

A real story of real American child life with a laugh in every word of it, turning the reader's vision backward through a charming vista to the days of childhood. The man who wrote "The Young Idea" was also the author of "The Hickory Limb" and illustrates in whatever he publishes what he possesses in his inestimable boon of humor.

**"Harmony Hall."**

By Marion Hill. Illustrated by Robert Edwards. Small, Maynard and Company, of Boston.

The sub-title of this book announces it as a story for girls. And so it is and one of the right kind, teaching all girls how to be helpful, voted in time of need, and independent.

The Hall family are all deeply interesting, but Harmony is the heroine of the book and the leading influence in the household. She it is who sets the example of finding employment and of helping to support the family during the period of her father's illness and helplessness. Every girl ought to read the book and find out what Harmony's bravery did, not only for herself, but for all around her.

**"Honey Sweet."**

By Edna Lee Turpin, of Echo Hill, Va. The Macmillan Company, of New York. \$1.25 net.

Honey Sweet's adventures begin on a transatlantic steamer and continue

She Studied Life at Roman Balls



MARJORIE PATTERSON

To have published a novel and achieved success when barely out of her teens is the accomplishment of Marjorie Patterson. The author of "Fortunate" is a Baltimore girl, a granddaughter of Bettie Patterson, who married Jerome Bonaparte, and a granddaughter of John Neal, of Portland, Me., a friend of Longfellow and Emerson. Marjorie Patterson has lived much abroad, and a winter in Roman society, to which she was introduced by Italian relatives, gave her the opportunity to gather material for her "Fortunate."

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## Women's New Fall Suits, \$18.75, \$22.50, \$29.75, Worth From \$22.50 to \$37.50



We wish to emphasize the fact that these Suits are all new. Furthermore, that they are "MOSBYMADE" in every particular.

We could say nothing stronger in their favor if the selling price was double what it is.

We bought the Suits under especially favorable conditions, and we'll put them on sale to-morrow at lower prices than the same values can be bought anywhere.

Remember also that individuality of style is the keynote in Mosby Suits.

**\$22.50, \$23.50 Suits, \$18.75**

Serges in brown and navy, plain tailored or with velvet collar.

The Skirts are plain, with panels back and front. Best values this season at \$22.50 and \$23.50. Special ..... \$18.75

**\$27.50 Suits, \$22.50**

Mixtures in grey, brown and black, and serges in navy, black and brown.

Your choice of plain tailored styles or coats with velvet collars and trimmed with silk braid.

**\$35 & \$37.50 Suits, \$29.75**

Serges in navy and black; also mixtures in grey and tan.

Some plain tailored; others have inlaid silk collars and trimmed with loops and buttons.

Plain gore skirts, with panels back and front; all sizes.

### Crepe De Chine Dresses, \$24.75

It wasn't a question of how much profit could be squeezed out of these garments at the price, but of how much style, quality and finish could be crowded into them.

Judge for yourself to-morrow how we succeeded. Rich, fine cloth, in black, grey, navy, coronation and lavender.

Fleish style waist trimmed with accordion plaiting. High collar and yoke of all-over Point d'Esprit.

The Skirt is trimmed with narrow accordion plait; panel back, with loose plait at bottom.

### A Very Practical SKIRT, \$4.98

An all-wool, beautiful grey mixture. Panels back and front; knee plaits on side, finished with buttons.

Tailored in the best manner, perfect in fit and style and in all respects the best Walking Skirt at the price we've seen this fall.

### Children's COATS, \$7.50 to \$24.75

Scotch Plaids, Kerseys, Mixtures, Camel's Hair, Chincheilles, etc. in polo styles, plain box effects, etc.; lined and unlined, plain tailored or fancily trimmed with buttons, braids and velvets.

The styles and kinds are too numerous to go into detail in this advertisement, but the material, workmanship and finish of each garment will bear the most rigid inspection; all colors; sizes 6 to 14 years.

### Motoring Calls for Coats Like These

The reversible kind—equally attractive with either side out. Some in fancy plaids, some in mixtures, others in plain colors.

Heavy, rough English Cloths, in grey, tan, navy and brown; lined or unlined; some of the styles with cavalier bag, as shown in the picture.

A coat like this is indispensable to the woman that wears a one-piece gown ..... \$17.75 to \$25.00

### Splendidly Tailored Long Coats, \$19.75

The strictly tailored kind in navy and black pebble cheviot and black broadcloth; semi-lapped, notch collars and lapels; lined to the waist with black satin.

The makers of these coats exerted their greatest skill to make better coats at a lower cost than ever before.

It's plainly in evidence in these garments. Notice the extra good materials and tailoring.



### Silk Waists, \$2.98, \$3.48, \$4.98

Former Prices \$3.48 to \$9.00

All new this season, and all sizes. We're simply gathering up more or less broken lots and grouping them together for a quick sale.

Messalines, chiffons and taffetas, trimmed with tucks, lace or embroidery. Black, navy, green, brown, red and Persian effects.

### English Long Cloth, \$1.19 pc.

Regular Price, \$1.50.

We bought this under price. It is 36 inches wide, chambray finish, extra heavy weight. Made by the famous King Philip Mills.

**KIMONO CLOTHS, 15c.**

Persian and Floral patterns, in every wanted color; all fast; 27 inches wide.

**\$3.50 NAPKINS, \$2.98 DOZ.**

Bleached Napkins, all pure linen, extra heavy, 22x22 inches. Good range of patterns. Real \$3.50 value for \$2.98 dozen.

**BUREAU SCARFS 50c EACH.**

(Worth 75c and 85c.)

We bought these at a special sale. Linen, 18x36 inches and 18x72 inches hemstitched scalloped embroidered.

### \$1.50 to \$2.50 Corsets 98c

Coutil and Batiste Corsets in a dozen or more good models. Low, medium and high bust; some with extreme hip.

It's a clean-up of broken lots, but you'll find practically all sizes somewhere in the assortment.

### Fall and Winter Underwear Reduced Prices

Broken lots carried over from last year. All high grade garments, and you're likely to find your size somewhere in each lot.

**WOMEN'S UNDERWEAR.**

Lisle, wool, mixed and silk; vests and pants.

75c, were \$1.25.

\$1.10, were \$2.00 and \$2.50.

\$1.75, were \$3.50.

**MEN'S UNDERWEAR.**

Shirts and drawers.

60c, were \$1.00.

\$1.25, were \$1.75 and \$2.00.

**BOYS' UNDERWEAR.**

Shirts and drawers.

35c, were 50c and 75c.

50c, were 75c and 95c.

**INFANTS' COTTON VENTS.**

10c, were 25c.

25c, were 35c.

### 500 Yards of Black Dress Goods, 79c Yd. Formerly Sold for \$1.50 and \$2 Yd.

Not new in the sense that they came in last week, but as good as new to you. More or less limited quantities of Wool Ottomans, Wool Satins, Panamas, Diagonals, Cheviots and Canvas Weaves, 44 to 52 inches wide.

We've put them all in one lot for a quick clean-up at a price.

### Suitings That Fashion Has Approved for Fall

In all the years that Mosby's has stood for High Class Dress Goods we've never had a larger or better assortment of Suitings than this fall.

More than that, the prices are remarkably low.

Three lots noted to-day that are especially worth your attention:

**English Suitings, \$1.50 yd** | **Gilbert Suitings, \$2.00 yd** | **Zibeline Suitings, \$2 yd**

They're 54 inches wide, in greys, browns, tans and purples.

Good weight for tailored suits, and we have the largest assortment of them we've ever shown.

### 30 Per Cent. Saved on RUGS

We started to ask you if you needed Rugs, but it seems like an idle question in view of the values offered below.

There's always some room that would look the better for a change of color, and it would certainly seem the part of economy to buy, even for future needs, when such "plums" were so easily obtainable. Of course, we invite comparison of prices.

Just bear in mind that our Rug Store can supply you with anything from the 18-inch Rug in a domestic weave up to a room size real Oriental costing hundreds of dollars.

**\$13.50 Wool Brussels Rugs, \$8.75**

Room size, 9x12 feet, and beauties they are in rich, fast colorings.

Inexpensive, too, at the price.

**\$25.00 Seamless Velvet Rugs, \$17.50**

Beautiful Oriental designs—mostly on tan grounds. Very high pile and heavy fabric, 9x12 feet.

**\$35.00 Wilton Rugs, \$26.50**

Copies of real Orientals both in design and color combinations. The patterns are in large medallion designs and small figures; 9x12 feet.

**\$42.00 Wilton Rugs, \$33.75**

There's a fine selection of 9x12 feet Rugs in this lot. All the wanted colors are here, including two-tone blue.

It's certainly a grand opportunity of securing a really high grade Wilton Rug much under its regular value.

#### BOOK NOTES.

**"A Princess of Adventure: Marie Caroline, Duchess de Berry,"** is the title of a new book by H. Noel Williams, author of "The Fascinating Duc de Richelieu," "The Rose of Savoy," "Queen Margot," and "Henri II: His Court and His Times." It is the writer to recount the career of this romantic figure. The princess was the daughter of Francesco I., King of the Two Sicilies, and wife of Charles Ferdinand, Duc de Berry, second son of the Comte d'Artois, afterwards Charles X. of France. Her life was full of adventure. Twice as a child, and once in maturity she was the victim of a revolution; her first husband was murdered before her eyes; she contracted a clandestine morganatic marriage; she effected an insurrection; she lived the life of camp and battle; she made one escape disguised as a peasant-woman; was imprisoned in the Citadel of Blaye for a year. This is a most romantic story.

Henry James's new novel, "The Outcry," just published by Charles Scribner's Sons, turns on a much mooted question in England—whether the English inheritors of rare and beautiful works of art are bound to hold them as it were in trust for the nation; whether they may be held to account for their guardianship by public opinion. It is just such a question as Mr. James knows better than any other writer how to handle. It gives him an opportunity to bring in many subtly drawn characters, both English and American.

The Scribner publication list for October includes two brilliant studies in critical biography—"The Early Literary Career of Robert Browning," by Professor T. R. Lounsbury, of Yale, and

### Some of the New Evening SILKS

You should see these elegant new creations—the array surpasses any of our previous offerings.

It does seem as if none of Fashion's whims had been overlooked in this collection. Bordered Chiffons—Embossed Chiffons with or without borders—Black Marquisesettes—Black Grenadines—Metors in a wealth of colors, etc.

The prices range from \$2.00 yard up, and you'll be delighted with the values.

### SILKS for Wedding Gowns

They have been certainly prime favorites this fall. SATIN CREPE DE CHINE and METEORS, 40 inches wide, \$2.25 and \$2.75 yard.

Yard-wide LIBERTY SATIN, extra heavy, \$1.50 yard.

RIVIERA SATIN, 42 inches wide, \$3.00 yard.

40-inch CHARMEUSE, \$2.50 yard.

Double-face CHARMEUSE, 40 inches wide, \$3.98 yard.

**RIVIERA SATIN, \$1.89 yd.**

40 inches wide; black only. It is something altogether new, and one of the best values we have in our Silk Section.

**SATIN CREPE DE CHINE, \$2.25 yd.**

40 inches wide, in navy, Copenhagen, emerald, light blue, pink, grey, apricot, lavender, etc. yard ..... \$2.25

### BEDDING: Special Values To-Morrow

Just at a time when these things are needed comes the opportunity of getting them under price.

**50c CRIB BLANKETS, 30c Ea.**

30x40-inch Blankets in a large variety of pretty patterns; light blues and pinks, animal and bird designs.

**\$1.00 CRIB BLANKETS, 75c Ea.**

Extra heavy and extra large, 36x56 inches; pinks and light blues.

**\$4.50 BLANKETS, \$3.60 Fr.**

11-4 White Wool Blankets, 5 pounds to the pair, with pink and blue borders.

Only 15 pairs at this price.

**DOWN COMFORTS, \$5.00 Ea.**

Hygienic Down Comforts, 6x6 feet, covered with fancy French satteen

both sides; light and dark Persian and floral patterns, and filled with pure down. Special.... \$5.00

**\$6.00 SILK COMFORTS, \$4.45 Ea.**

Floral patterns with solid silk borders; all colors. Filled with pure, white laminated cotton; very warm, but light in weight. Special, each ..... \$4.45

**75c PILLOW CASES, 50c Ea.**

Linen finished, scalloped embroidered Pillow Cases, 45x36 inches, with embroidered monogram patterns.

In the line of fiction the Scribners publish in October two volumes of short stories—"Interventions," by Georgia W. Pangborn, and "Ship's Company," by W. W. Jacobs. Edith Wharton's novel "Song of Renny," Arthur Train's "Confessions of Artemus Quibble," the New York Bar, and that charming little book by his wife—"Son"—appeared late September.